

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 314
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kimberly Nicole
Thorington, 2005 Valedictorian of Coffee County
Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Nicole Thorington is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Coffee County Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kimberly Thorington has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Kimberly Thorington has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her excellence in the classroom, Kimberly is a member of FCA, Manchester First United Methodist Youth Group and Youth Choir, the Brentwood Impact travel soccer team, the Varsity High School Soccer team, the High School Track team, Latin Club, Coffee County Youth Leadership, and Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America; and

WHEREAS, due to her many sports involvements, Kimberly has received much recognition as an excellent athlete, including the District 8AAA high school soccer Most Valuable Player award, a varsity letter with the Lady Raider Soccer team, the Offensive High School Team award, and District 8AAA Rookie of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, this well-rounded student showcases her superb leadership skills as Captain of the high school soccer team, President of FCA, as Junior Class Secretary, and through her participation in Rotary Youth Leaders of America, Coffee County Youth Leadership, and on the Youth Council at First United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, she has been recognized on the Honor Roll, the National Honor Roll, and with *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; she has received awards in Advanced English III, Latin II, Pre-Calculus, Chemistry, Geometry, and Advanced English II; and

WHEREAS, even with her endless dedication and commitments, Kimberly manages to be actively involved as a volunteer in her community with such noteworthy programs as Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, and she participates with various food drives and soup kitchens; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Thorington's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama, where she will study Health Promotions and participate as a walk-on soccer player; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Thorington's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Jim and Debra Thorington, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Coffee County Central High School Valedictorian, Kimberly Nicole Thorington, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.